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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, TH, BM

SUBJECT: REFUGEES FROM BCP ADVANCES

FOLLOWING TEL FROM CHIANG MAI DATED DECEMBER 7 REPEATED FOR
YOUR INFO QUOTE

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E.O. 11652: RECOMMEND EXEMPT

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SUBJECT: REFUGEES FROM BCP ADVANCES

1. DURING CONVERSATION DEC 4 WITH CHIANG MAI GOV.
ASA MEKSAWAN, HE SAID IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION THAT HE
HAD REPORTS OF POSSIBLE REFUGEE INFLUX FROM KENG TUNG
AREA. THIS ACCORDS WITH SEVERAL OTHER REPORTS AVAILABLE
HERE. BILL YOUNG, LONG-TIME U.S. RESIDENT, SAID LAST
WEEK THAT SHAN FRIEND OF YOUNG FAMILY FROM NORTH OF
KENG TUNG RECENTLY APPEARED IN CHIANG MAI STATING THAT
MANY SHAN ARE PLANNING TO FLEE TO THAILAND. PAUL LEWIS,
MISSIONARY WHO WORKS WITH LAHU IN THAILAND, SAID LAHU
LIVING SOUTH OF KENG TUNG FEAR BCP MOVES INTO THEIR AREA

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AND PLAN TO COME TO THAILAND. HE BELIEVES THAT OVER

ONE THOUSAND COULD ARRIVE THIS DRY SEASON. HE SAID
SEVERAL ADVANCE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN INTO THAILAND TO PREPARE
THE WAY. LEWIS SAID HE IS POINTING OUT THE DIFFICULTIES
TO THESE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN A MOVE TO THAILAND BUT THEY
APPEAR DETERMINED TO COME. THESE PEOPLE ALSO SAY THEY
HAVE RECEIVED THREATENING LETTERS FROM BCP ATTEMPTING TO
DISCOURAGE THEIR FLIGHT. LETTERS TELL LAHU THAT IF THEY
FLEE THEY HAD BETTER GO FURTHER THAN THAILAND SINCE BCP
WILL GET THEM THERE TOO.

2. COMMENT: TO DATE WE HAVE NOT REPEAT NOT NOTED
ANY GREAT AWARENESS OF, OR CONCERN ABOUT RECENT BCP
MOVES ON PART OF LOCAL RTG OFFICIALS. ARRIVAL OF
SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF REFUGEES HOWEVER COULD CHANGE
THIS CONDITION.
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